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MAIL STOP RCE

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re: Patent Application :  
of Tadayoshi Takahashi *et al.* : Group Art Unit 1741  
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Conf. No.: 1638 :  
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Appln. No.: 10/068,713 : Examiner: Julian A. Mercado  
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Filed: February 6, 2002 : Attorney Docket  
: No. **10059-407US**  
For: ELECTROCHEMICAL ELEMENT : (P25715-02)

**AFTER FINAL REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

This is a request under 37 CFR 1.114 for continued examination (RCE) of the above identified application in response to the Office Action mailed September 21, 2004 (Paper No. 20040912). Enclosed are the following in support of the RCE under 37 C.F.R. 1.114:

- ☐ Enter the unentered Amendment previously filed on &@ under 37 CFR 1.116 in the above application.
- ☒ An Amendment.
- ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement, PTO/SB/08A and cited references.
- ☐ New formal drawings.
- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time to &@ for the pending application.
- ☐ Other: &@

The following fees are enclosed:

- ☒ RCE fee of \$790.00 required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e).
- ☐ Extension of time fee in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_.00

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☐ Additional claim fees of &@ for excess claims submitted in the enclosed Amendment, calculated as follows:

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					TOTAL		TOTAL	

- ☒ Firm check(s) totaling \$790.00 is enclosed herewith.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and/or credit Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing No. 210059.0407) as noted below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any overpayments or deficiencies in the above-calculated fee(s).
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- ☐ Additional claim fee(s) in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_.00 as calculated above.
- ☒ Any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17.
- ☒ In the event that a Petition for Extension of Time is required, but not enclosed, please charge any extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to our Deposit Account noted above.

Respectfully submitted,

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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**  
**(RCE)**

This is being filed in response to the final Office Action dated September 21, 2004 (Paper No. 20040912) in the above-identified application. This response is being timely filed by December 21, 2004. Further, the finality of the present Office Action has been removed in view of the simultaneous filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows: